

Protecting Game in America

By FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

When Columbus landed in 1492 the section of the continent of North America now embraced in the United States was one of the greatest game preserves in the world. The Indians loved the chase, but rarely destroyed game wantonly. One reason for this was that the primitive methods of the savage in taking game made it more difficult for him to be a "game hog" than it is for the modern American, with his repeating rifle, his "pump gun," his dogs, his decoys, and his other equipment. Another reason was that the Indian's meat came from the forests and plains and he did not care to destroy his source of supply. Had the Indians remained in possession of the country there would have been as many deer and buffaloes in America to-day as there were four centuries ago. The rapid decrease in game throughout the United States after the settlement of the country by white men was not due, altogether to density of population, but to the general belief that the supply was inexhaustible.

From 1492 until 1852, when the Maine legislature created the office of moose warden, very little was done in this country to protect game, and the movement to prevent the extermination of our wild animals, fish, and birds has only become general within the last few years. At present thirty-six States and Territories trust the enforcement of their game laws to State boards, wardens, or other specially constituted authorities, and active efforts are being made to educate the people to an understanding of the importance of refraining from shooting out of season and otherwise violating game laws that do not work a hardship upon any true sportsman or upon any man who seeks food with his rod and gun. Every State has undertaken to enact and enforce useful game laws that meet with opposition from a certain element. There are always land owners who resent any legislative interference which might deprive them of their inalienable right to shoot game in or out of season upon their own land, but gradually the prejudices of such citizens are being overcome, and the prospect is for a decided increase in the supply of game within the next decade.

The duties of game wardens, under some of the State laws, are by no means simple or devoid of hardships. During the open season the warden is expected to devote a great deal of his time to preventing the illegal shipment of game. He must often exercise his ingenuity in discovering whether restaurants and hotels are selling quail as "snowbirds" or "young owls," and whether venison is being served under some other name. Killing dogs is another unpleasant duty of the game warden in States which prohibit the hounding of deer, and no one who has had occasion to bring about the death of a neighbor's dog knows just what sort of feeling can be stirred up by this sort of activity. A few months after the law prohibiting hunting deer with dogs went into effect in Pennsylvania, the secretary of the game commission estimated that fully 15,000 dogs had been killed in enforcing it. In many States there are laws requiring the destruction of traps and devices used to capture game, and in a few confiscation of guns used in violation of the law is required.

In the East much trouble has arisen from the killing of game and ornamental birds and all varieties of animals by immigrants, who cannot be persuaded that the game laws are meant seriously, and who not only resist attempts to enforce them, but in many instances resort to the use of arms to register their protests. In the mountainous sections of the States in the Appalachian region it is also somewhat difficult and dangerous to make arrests for violations of the game laws. The mountaineer regards the game warden and the "revenuer" in the same light. In his opinion, both are bent upon infringing upon his rights, and he is not slow to resent such interference. The record of fatalities incident to the prosecution of the duties of warden shows that the game warden's occupation is more hazardous than that of a soldier. Several deputies and other officials have been killed, and others have only saved themselves from a similar fate by coolness and ability to "get the drop" on the other fellow.

During a recent session of the Kentucky legislature much opposition to rigid game laws under consideration was manifested by representatives from the extreme east and west ends of the State, one of these sections being the home of the mountaineer, and the other a farming country. A mountain representative, who had never made a sportsman's trip, declared that he was no orator, but that he would ask indulgence while he protested, as a friend of the poor, against a provision of the law prohibiting trapping. The boys in the mountains, he maintained, had a right to trap partridges and sell them for money with which to buy school books. A minister, who represented a lowland county near the Mississippi River, followed the mountaineer and declared that game laws to be an infringement upon the inalienable rights of land owners. He said if the legislature did not repeal those existing he and his neighbors would violate them at pleasure, and would resort to the use of firearms if any one tried to interfere.

One of the most brutal forms of commercial hunting is the killing of egrets in Florida. The plumage of these beautiful and harmless birds has maintained a high price for use as albatross upon women's hats, and as the birds are in plume in the nesting season the custom is to shoot them and leave the young to die of starvation in the nests. A Florida game warden was killed by plume hunters while attempting to arrest the murderer. This local sentiment against punishing violators of game laws dies out only after the laws have been in existence for some time and efforts to enforce them have been intelligent and persistent. As time passes the man who resists arrest for violation of the game laws will be regarded by his neighbors in the same light as he who resists arrest for an infraction of any other statute.

In the creation of wholesome public sentiment the press has been a powerful factor in all States. When the great Belle Meade estate, near Nashville, was divided for sale recently, 300 deer in the park were bought by public subscription and turned loose in the Cumberland Mountains. The fund was raised by a Nashville newspaper at the suggestion of Game Warden James H. Acklen, who was formerly a Louisiana representative in Congress. In recent years the office of game and fish warden has enjoyed increased dignity and emolument. With plenary power to enforce game laws, with an appreciation of the importance of his public service, and with that bolster of self-respect, a good salary, the warden of to-day is a person of no little importance.

In New York, the State game commissioner draws \$5,000 a year. Illinois pays \$2,500 for the same service, and in other States it varies from \$1,000 to \$2,000. With the exception of Connecticut and Massachusetts, States that leave the administration of game laws to a board of commissioners, the position of warden is honorary. Arizona, California, New Hampshire, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Rhode Island have game wardens without salaries, but their experience in securing the services of good men has been fortunate. In Montana there are eight deputy drawing salaries of \$500 a month, and in California the county wardens are paid salaries varying in accordance with the population. Colorado pays each of her five chief wardens \$300 a year and expenses. Game protectors in New York get \$200 a year, and one-half of the fines resulting from actions brought upon information furnished by them. They are allowed \$150 a year for expenses.

The bird and game wardens of North Carolina perform a useful service to agriculture by devoting a part of their time to distributing information to educate the people as to the value of certain birds and animals in the State. Each warden has a library bearing upon the birds and animals found in North Carolina, and is prepared to answer any questions relating to their habits and their destructiveness or usefulness to crops. In Pennsylvania and Illinois the wardens make a periodical census of species of game, determining with reasonable accuracy whether there is an increase or decrease, and recommending such legislation as seems advisable. The wardens in Illinois have also found the game wardens valuable allies in enforcing the laws against trespassing. By the use of the telephone it is much easier to reach the scene of a trespass than it was before this instrument was in use on the farm.

One important factor for the destruction of small game is the sleet and snow of severe winters, which prevent the quail from getting to their food supplies. It is not difficult to save these valuable little birds by distributing food where they may reach it. In North Carolina during a severe winter, the game wardens distributed food for quail, and the farmers aided them by scattering grain upon the snow. New Jersey wardens have bought grain at their own expense for the game preserve, and in Indiana men have gone out with sleds to feed the birds. The same tactics were employed in Illinois with encouraging results. The mounted police on duty in the vicinity of Washington carry with them in severe winter weather bags of grain to scatter for the quail, and the game wardens in Illinois have often found within sight of the dome of the National Capitol.

To-morrow—About Notable Americans.

TWO ELOPING PAIRS WED.

West Virginia and Virginia Couples Elude Objection Parents.
Special to The Washington Herald.
Oakland, Md., Aug. 7.—David Ramsey and Miss Anna Bert Mallonee, both of Grafton, W. Va., were married here this evening, despite the objection of the parents of the bride on account of her being under age. In Maryland she is of legal age. They left for Atlantic City.

BURY TOTS SLAIN BY MOTHER.
Children Carry Tiny Bodies to the Hearse—Woman Held for Jury.
Special to The Washington Herald.
Baltimore, Aug. 7.—The bodies of Mary and Jarrasol Nenadal, the children who were strangled to death by their insane mother, Monday, were buried to-day. A great crowd surrounded the house, and one woman fainted in the crush. Children were the pall-bearers, girls for the girl, and boys for the boy.
Mrs. Christina Nenadal, the murderer, after being removed from the police station to the jail to await the jury action, a coroner's inquest having resulted in a verdict of murder while insane.

VIRGINIA AND WEST VIRGINIA

Brief Items of Interest from the States Over the River.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 7.—The Virginia Anti-Slavery League decided not to make a fight for prohibition in Richmond.
Roanoke, Va., Aug. 7.—Married six weeks ago, Joseph Heckman, aged twenty-four, a local bookkeeper, died yesterday of typhoid fever.
Richmond, Va., Aug. 7.—Miss Charles Elia Armstrong and Edgar L. Bradley, residents of Brambleton, Norfolk, eloped to Richmond on Saturday and were married by Rev. George H. Spooner.
Roanoke, Va., Aug. 7.—The Rangeland Orchard Company, valued at \$50,000, has been incorporated by B. P. Huff, W. M. Taylor, and Judge J. W. Woods, of Roanoke, to conduct a general fruit business.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 7.—The transfer of the Hotel Allen to "Joe" Wells and "Steve" Allan to H. D. Eichelberger took place at midnight. It had been known for some time that the house was a losing proposition.
Roanoke, Va., Aug. 7.—The common council has decided to pay the Greeks who suffered at the hands of a mob here a few weeks ago for the damage to their property sustained. This is a victory for Mayor Caldwell.

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 7.—Mayor Cutchin to-day received a score of modern military guns, with bayonets and ammunition, from Adj. Gen. Anderson. The mayor says they will be used to prevent mob violence in the future.

Petersburg, Va., Aug. 7.—The city council has contracted with the Virginia Passenger and Power Company to light the city with electricity for five years at \$37 per lamp a year. The company will spend \$30,000 in improvements here.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 7.—Commissioner of Immigration Button has received notice that A. D. Gough, president of the Old Dominion Protective Association of Alexandria, resigned in compliance with the commissioner's demand.

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 7.—Randolph-Macon Women's College has been placed on the list of the Carnegie foundation, the \$100,000 fund for pensioning retired professors. Pulaski University is said to be the only other Southern institution on the list.

Wheeling, W. Va., Aug. 7.—George Buckenbush, a mail carrier who was arrested yesterday and held in \$500 bail, charged with robbing the mail, this morning went into the cellar of his home and shot and killed a dog that had been through his head, dying instantly.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Aug. 7.—The First Methodist Episcopal Church, after extensive improvements, was rededicated Sunday. The pastor is Rev. J. O. Wrighton. Rev. Dr. Charles L. Pate, of Baltimore, preached in the morning and at night. Rev. F. B. Rice, of Baltimore, was the speaker.

Barnum, W. Va., Aug. 7.—The Knicht Oil Company has been incorporated with \$25,000 capital stock to drill for oil in the vicinity of Barnum, along the Western Maryland Railroad. Among the interested are C. E. Knicht, of Barnum; H. L. Brown, of Rowden, W. Va.; and C. S. Friend, of Piedmont, W. Va.

Weston, W. Va., Aug. 7.—Pressure is being brought to bear on the County Court of Loud County to reconsider the refusal to grant liquor licenses in Weston, and it is expected that the court will take the matter up. Local opinion has developed an "underground" trade that is declared worse than the saloon.

ROCKVILLE PIONEER DIES.

Mrs. Muncester, Born 82 Years Ago, Victim of Heart Trouble.
Special to The Washington Herald.
Rockville, Md., Aug. 7.—Mrs. Harriet Elizabeth Muncester, the oldest native resident of this place, died at her home to-day, in the eighty-second year of her age.

She was the widow of Other Z. Muncester, and a member of one of the most prominent families of the county. Mrs. Muncester had been bedridden since spring from injuries received in a fall, but heart trouble was the immediate cause of her death. She is survived by six children—Walter J. Muncester, of Cumberland, Md.; John Calvin Muncester, of Rockville; Dr. Stewart Muncester, of Washington; Alexander Muncester, of the Washington bar; and Mrs. John Gussarsky and Mrs. John J. Higgins, of this county. Her husband died many years ago.

PYTHIANS DEDICATE ARMORY.
Impressive Ceremony Marks Event at Piedmont.
Special to The Washington Herald.

Piedmont, W. Va., Aug. 7.—The armory of the uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, was dedicated this evening with an impressive ceremony. A parade took place in which fraternal societies, bands, fire companies, and other organizations participated. Among those who took part in the exercises were Brigade Commander Gen. J. Alex. Ewing, Mountsville, W. Va.; Gen. William B. Pack, Inspector general; Col. Howard Sutherland, of Elkins, commanding the Fourth Regiment; Rev. William J. Williams, the brigade chaplain, and the three newly-formed companies of the uniform rank in Allegany County, Md., two at Cumberland and one at Lonaconing.

The Moscow Band and the Piedmont Orchestra took part in the musical programme. After the exercises the floor was cleared for dancing.

FINE HORSES AT STAUNTON

Second Day of Show Brings Big Crowd to the Ring.

Full Classes Make Competition Severe, and Winners Get Ribbons by Superiority.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Staunton, Va., Aug. 7.—The second day of the Staunton Horse Show brought out an even larger crowd to the show grounds than assembled there yesterday. All the classes shown were full of good horses, and the winners had to fight hard for their ribbons.

The show-ring results were as follows:
Heavy draft classes—Brabant, owner, R. L. Trimble, Swopes, first; Chicago, owner, A. Alexander & Co., Harrison, second.
Standard stallions—Prince Royal, owner, Dr. V. T. Churchman, Charleston, W. Va., first; Yearling thoroughbreds—Bay mare, owner, Evers Bros., first.
Yearling colts in harness—Art, Dr. V. T. Churchman, first; Victor, R. E. L. Hiner, Waynesboro, second.
Two-year-old colts—King Caesar, Evers Bros., first; colt, J. A. Kennedy, second; colt, J. A. Kennedy, third.
Two-year-old colts—Bob, owner, H. W. Bowling, first.

Yearling colts—Draft, Evers Bros., first; One-year-old colts—Dumka, R. O. Cooley & Son, Harrisonburg, first; Weanling colts—J. H. & S. F. McCreary, Spotswood, first; Spotswood, J. H. & S. F. McCreary, second; Sam, C. J. Kohler, Swopes, third; Two-year-old colts—Pascua, C. A. Alexander & Co., Harrison, first.

Three-year-old colts—Chicago, first; Weanling heavy draft colts—Spotswood, first; Gaines, second.
Two-year-old heavy draft colts—Panama, C. A. Alexander & Co., first.
Three-year-old heavy draft colts—Chicago, C. A. Alexander, first.
Female horses—Cora—C. A. Alexander & Co., first; Local ladies' trotters—Sassafras, M. W. Morgan, first; Twilight, L. L. Bowman, second; Rosely, Evers Bros., third; Rosie T., Michael & Vanlar, fourth.

Harness horses—pairs—The Parader and Jewel, Garber & Garber, first; bass, J. Fred Effinger, second.
Harness horses—Roady, Evers Bros., first; Rosie T., Michael & Vanlar, second; Janette, Charles Evers, third.
Saddle horses—Irish Rose, E. H. Weatherbe, first; Monte Cristo, Garber & Garber, second.
Heavy draft horses—pairs—C. A. Alexander & Co., first and second; team owned by J. A. & S. F. McCreary, third.

Harness horses—Lady Gay, Garber & Garber, first; Lady Gay and Garber, second; Roady, Evers Bros., third.
Ponies—pairs—William Glenn's, first; J. G. Pratt, Jr., second.
Combination harness and saddle horses—Monte Cristo, Garber & Garber, first; Sassafras, Julian Morris, second; Rosely, M. W. Morgan, third.
Sporting trotters—Middletown and Wheeler, Leighton Stables, Middleburg, Va., first; the team exhibited by Blackfoot & Co., second.
Hunted Willow King, George W. Gray, owner, first; Julian Morris, first and second; Wild Irishman, J. A. Kennedy, third.
Hunters, pairs—Pair owned by Julian Morris, first; pair owned by J. A. Kennedy, second; pair owned by Julian Morris, third.

The races resulted as follows:

2:20 trot or pace—Purse \$30. St. Louis, first, owned by A. Burgess; second, owned by V. Thompson, second, owned by Virginia Breeders and Trainers' Association; Tom Littleton, third, owned by W. M. Joyner, Rocky Mount, N. C.
2:20 trot—Purse \$25. St. Elmo, first, owned by Winchester, Va., first.

Three-quarter mile dash—King of Spades, owned by George W. Gray, first; Fels Moss, P. T. LaTelle, Bancroft, Va., second; Broadway Girl, E. Engelking, Richmond, third.

GETS MARTINSBURG THEATER.

Hagerstown Man Acquiring Circuit of Playhouses.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 7.—Charles W. Boyer, manager of the Academy of Music of this city, has leased the Central Opera House in Martinsburg, W. Va., from W. J. Lambert, this step being his second move in a plan to establish a circuit of theaters in this section.

Mr. Boyer recently leased the Hancock Opera House, and he expects to acquire several more theaters to complete the circuit.

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HITCHCOCK IS HELD

Alexandria County Citizen Waives First Hearing.

MAY CALL GRAND JURY AGAIN

If Popular Feeling Should Demand It, Commonwealth Attorney Would Take This Action—Firemen Elect Convention Delegates—Tug Captain to Be Brought Back for Trial.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU. (Hill Telephone 61.)

Alexandria, Va., Aug. 7.—Frank Hitchcock, charged with attacking Mrs. Susan M. Beach, near Walker's Chapel, Alexandria County, yesterday morning, waived a preliminary examination when his case was called to-day before Justice of the Peace Henry Parker, at the county courthouse. Justice Parker held him for the grand jury. It is understood that the case will be investigated at the next regular term of the court. Attorney R. C. L. Monroe appeared for the prisoner.

Commonwealth Attorney Mackey stated that he had contemplated asking for a special grand jury for the trial of the case, but he announced that if he decided upon that course he would give notice of his intention to convene for the prisoner. He said he would take the matter over with Judge Bailey. Mr. Mackey remarked that should any considerable agitation develop over the alleged offense, he would consider that sufficient ground for requesting the calling of a special jury. If the case is allowed to follow the usual course it will not be called up before the third Monday in October. As there is no public excitement over the matter, it is not expected that an earlier hearing will be required.

As stated in The Washington Herald to-day, Hitchcock was arrested last evening at the home of his mother, near Walker's Chapel, on the complaint of Mrs. Beach, who alleged that he had attacked her that morning as she was walking alone to the house of a neighbor. The prisoner denies the charge. Both Mrs. Beach and her husband were in court this morning, ready to testify, had any evidence been taken. The former seemed to have fully recovered from the state of collapse into which she was reported to have fallen immediately after the alleged attack.

Columbia Firemen Meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the Columbia Fire Engine Company was held this evening in the hall of the company, with Vice President W. K. Griffith in the chair. An invitation to attend the twenty-first annual convention of the Virginia State Firemen's Association at Newport News, August 28, 29, and 30, was unanimously accepted.

Officers elected were: W. K. Griffith, vice president of the association; delegates, R. L. Merchant, J. E. Pettet, George Morris, John Travers, Walter Hughes; alternates, A. Baccigiolli, E. C. Craven, J. L. Duffey, Samuel E. Lee, and William C. Taylor. The company decided to leave for Newport News on the day steamer on Tuesday, August 27.

A cash prize was awarded to W. H. Pfeiffer, of Washington, for counting the number of times the letter "C" appeared in the programme of the excursion of the company to Marshall Hall July 25 last.

Go After Tug's Captain.

City Serg. Cox and Commonwealth Attorney Brent left this evening for Norfolk, to take into custody Capt. Hickman, of the tugboat Maryland, charged with towing away from this port the barge Norfolk while there were unsettled attachments against the cargo of the vessel. Serg. Cox to-day received a dispatch from Norfolk announcing that, pursuant to his request, Capt. Hickman had been arrested and placed in custody. It was stated that the captain of the barge, who is also wanted by the local authorities, had not been apprehended. Capt. Hickman will be brought to this city to answer the charge against him. Further efforts will be made to apprehend the captain of the barge.

Another Charge Against Nixon.

In Alexandria County to-day a warrant was issued for the arrest of Lloyd Nixon, charging him with the larceny of a horse from Thomas E. Sowers, of the county. It is alleged that the animal was stolen on the night of the 3d inst. from a stable in the city. The warrant is also issued for the action of the grand jury on the charge of robbing the stables of E. M. Palmer of property valued at about \$100.

May Run for Congress.

Judge J. K. M. Norton, who is considering the advisability of becoming a candidate for Congress from this district next year, said to-day that he had received many very encouraging offers of support in case he decides to enter the contest. The Alexandria friends here are urging him to become a candidate.

Judge Thomas W. Harrison.

In the local Corporation Court to-day, signed a decree in the case of the Kuhn Formaleidye Company, Incorporated, against the Kuhn Formaleidye Company, to pay the complainant \$5,000 and directing R. H. Cox to make an inventory of the property attached.

According to the orders of Mayor Paff the dog wagon will make its appearance on the streets to-morrow. War will be waged on dogs not properly muzzled and not tagged with the dog license. It is announced, however, that canines without muzzles, but properly tagged and accompanied by their masters, will not be taken by the city.

At a special meeting of the city school board this evening, Mrs. Cora Kelly was elected a teacher to fill the position made vacant by the resignation of Miss Fannie Wilson.

Cloyd-Guthrie.

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 7.—At the First Baptist Church to-night Miss Marie Elizabeth Guthrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Guthrie, of this city, was married to David McDuff Cloyd, Jr., of Dublin, Va., by Rev. Julian M. Luck, of Houston, Mrs. Annie Ligon, of Pamplin City, was matron of honor, and John A. Cloyd, Dublin, best man. The groomsmen were Stockton Heth, Jr., C. C. Heth, and Col. T. G. Wood, Blacksburg; Tyler Ellis, Shawsbrey; Herbert Guthrie, and Robert Oglesby; Lynchburg; the bridesmaids, Misses Mary Langhorn, County; Wilma Luck, Houston; Mary Shipman Hughes, Rappahannock County; Sterling Morton, Halifax County, and Ella Shipman Guthrie, Lynchburg. A reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, on Madison street.

Gov. Buchtel at Mountain Lake.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Mountain Lake Park, Md., Aug. 7.—Gov. Henry A. Buchtel, of Colorado, lectured at the Mountain Chautauqua to-day before a large audience, on "The Pleasantry of American Life." He will speak to-morrow at the big Lutheran reunion, an "Theodore Roosevelt."

LAWYERS LOSE BALL GAME.

County Judge Plays Right Field and State's Attorney Umpires.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 7.—The Hagerstown Lawyers, made up of members of the Washington County bar, were defeated by the directors of the Hagerstown Baseball Association at Athletic Park, here, this afternoon by the score of 5 to 4. The game was well played, and comparatively free from errors.

Judge M. L. Keedy, of the County Court, played right field for the lawyers, and scored one of the four runs made by his team. The directors made eight hits, and the lawyers five.

Batteries: Directors—G. Roulette and Jamison; Lawyers—Neill, Jr., and Yourtee. State's Attorney Albert J. Long was umpire.

ROCKVILLE TO HAVE ITS FAIR.

Directors, However, Will Continue Efforts to Get Pool License.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Rockville, Md., Aug. 7.—Directors of the Montgomery County Agricultural Society to-day definitely decided to hold the fair advertised to take place the latter part of this month.

Several of the directors had threatened to resign from the board, and were in favor of declaring the fair off unless the Circuit Court granted a license permitting the selling of pools. The majority, it seems, was in favor of having the fair, license or no license, and so the matter was decided. The board, however, has not given up hope of procuring the desired license. In any event, a successful exhibition is practically assured, and it is believed that the differences among the directors have been settled in such a manner as to obviate the necessity of resignations.

KILLS WOMAN AND HIMSELF

Married Man Said to Have Been in Love with His Victim.

Holds Passers-by, Summoned by Maid, at Bay While He Effects Plot Confided to a Friend.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Ashville, N. C., Aug. 7.—A double tragedy was enacted at 51 College street to-day. Mrs. L. C. Ray, daughter of the late Col. Creamsman, was shot and killed by Robert Murdoch, a well-known business man of this place, who, it is stated, was in love with her. After killing Mrs. Ray he killed himself.

Mrs. Ray lived about five minutes after the shooting, and died trying to make a statement, but none of her words could be understood. Murdoch expired almost immediately.

The shouts of a maid that a man was killing his mistress attracted the attention of several passers-by, who attempted to enter the room where Murdoch and Mrs. Ray were, but Murdoch dashed his revolver and ordered them away.

Eight shots were fired, after which Mrs. Ray and Murdoch were found lying on the floor in Mrs. Ray's sitting-room, still breathing.

Murdoch, it is stated, told James Allison, an old friend, a short time ago of his intention to kill Mrs. Ray.

Murdoch leaves a widow and six children.

KILLS HIS WIFE AT 72.

Aged Man, Armed, Now Sought by Officers and Bloodhounds.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Wilson, N. C., Aug. 7.—Ransom Goldwin, aged seventy-three years, residing about five miles from Kenly, in Johnston county, had a quarrel with his wife yesterday. This morning, when the quarrel was resumed, the old man shot Mrs. Goldwin dead in her tracks.

The aged murderer took to the woods and has not been heard of since. The sheriff of Johnston county wired Wilson and Edcombe, North Carolina, to search for the killing was done with a Winchester, which the fugitive has with him.

MARYLAND NEWS IN BRIEF.

Condensed Special Dispatches from the Old Line State.

Easton, Aug. 7.—Big wheat crops have been raised in this county, the yield ranging from 30 to 50 bushels to the acre.

Annapolis, Aug. 7.—J. William Baughman was to-day commissioned by Gov. Warfield as an honorary member of the Jamestown Exposition commission.

Cumberland, Aug. 7.—The Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company has asked permission to lay a \$100,000 conduit telephone system in this city.

Baltimore, Aug. 7.—The body of Harry C. Bremer, aged six years, who disappeared July 31 from his home, 1203 Hanover street, was found yesterday floating in the harbor.

Frederick, Aug. 7.—Judge Motter, in the Circuit Court, has decided that a tenant in moving from a rented farm cannot remove straw grown on the place, unless it is so stipulated in his lease.

Frederick, Aug. 7.—Rev. John J. Rodock, S. J., of Kingston, Jamaica, is visiting his brother, George S. Rodock, president of the Business Men's Association, on an extended vacation.

Chesapeake City, Aug. 7.—Hugh W. Caldwell, principal of the local high school, has received the acceptance of an offer from Hays to teach at the request of the people of this town.

Baltimore, Aug. 7.—Dr. A. Marshall Elliott, professor of Romance languages in Johns Hopkins University, was one of the Americans awarded the cross of the Legion of Honor by Paris to-day.

Cumberland, Aug. 7.—Walter Dalloway, of Midland, who went to Pittsburg a few days ago looking for work, and was unsuccessful, was killed on the railroad at Glenwood. He was eighteen years old.

Salisbury, Aug. 7.—Capt. Louis P. Coulbourn's residence and a building adjoining it, owned by him and occupied by a meat market, were burned yesterday. The loss is \$20,000; the insurance about \$2,000.

Baltimore, Aug. 7.—Gov. Warfield and Mayor Mahon last night addressed the convention of the Maryland Association of the Deaf, in session here, their remarks being translated into the sign language.

Cumberland, Aug. 7.—John C. Stiemmer has been confirmed as chief of the fire department, and Thomas Reynolds, ex-chief of the Jamestown Exposition firemen, has been engaged to instruct the local fire fighters.

Cumberland, Aug. 7.—William J. Krelger and Elizabeth Scherer, both of Johnston, Va., who came here a week ago to marry, were made one yesterday, having been compelled to wait until Krelger became twenty-one years old.

Annapolis, Aug. 7.—Mrs. Anne B. Jeffers, Mrs. Laura M. Harris, Miss Maria B. Beck, and Mrs. Hester A. Harwood have used the city and the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Railway Company to prevent the laying of trolley tracks in this city.